

# Sabbath 'Rain of Stones' Continues; Zealot Leader Rabbi Blau Jailed

JERUSALEM (JP)—The Sabbath "rain of stones" continued in Jerusalem as religious fanatics again demonstrated against, and stoned, vehicles moving on Saturday.

This time a police car and a United Nations jeep were the targets of the flying missiles. Two of the five policemen driving through the Geula section of the city were slightly injured by stones when they left their auto to break up the demonstration. Neither the U.N. jeep nor its occupants were hit in the other incident.

In what might be termed a "switch", there were a larger number of persons demonstrating against them than there were Sabbath demonstrators last Saturday morning. Seven persons were detained by the police but all were later released.

In mid-week, Rabbi Amram Blau, 55, called the "principal instigator" of the demonstrations around the children's club of the Working Mothers Organization which borders the Mea Shearim "ghetto" section, was sentenced to 21 days in jail.

The rabbi was found guilty by a special three judge court of taking part in an illegal demonstration in front of the children's club on Oct. 27. Still pending is another charge of illegal assembly and the police are reportedly preparing four more similar charges against him. The rabbi's 18-year-old son and a youth of 20 also found guilty of the same charge, were fined 20 Israel pounds and were bound to keep the peace for one year or face automatic imprisonment for a month.

Before sentence was passed, Rabbi Blau, who has

been found guilty of illegal assembly twice before in the last 18 months, charged the State was carrying out an "inquisition" against religious Jews. He also accused the government of trying to destroy the remnants of the Jewish people, as symbolized by the Mea Shearim Jews (the most Orthodox segment in Israel).

Supporting the views of Rabbi Blau was a news release this week in New York by the American Committee for Freedom of Religion in Israel which charged that police were deliberately brutalizing Orthodox Jews quietly "rebuking" auto drivers on the Sabbath. According to the release, the police "pounded" on the observant Jews on Yaffa road with "rude shouts to disperse and without waiting to be obeyed began to beat Orthodox Jews severely on their heads with heavy clubs."

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# ISRAEL TO PURSUE DEMAND EGYPT

## Austrian Chancellor's Assurances Heard Coolly by Jewish Leaders

NEW YORK (JP)—Jewish organization spokesmen are giving a cold reception to Chancellor Julius Raab of Austria despite the chancellor's recent statement that settlement of the reparations question was not far off.

Speaking at an informal press conference at the United Nations last week, Raab said the reparations and restitution issue will be tackled as soon as he returns to Austria.

"Deeds speak louder than words," is the reaction of the Jewish organizations. They point out that negotiations between Austria and the Committee for Jewish Claims on Austria have been under way, intermittently, for one and a half years. Twice in that period the Austrian government suspended the talks.

According to the Jewish Claims Committee, which represents all the major organizations, the negotiations have been "consistently hampered" by Austrian insistence on details and legal objections "which could easily have been overcome." The committee asserts that the Austrian government promised to make a definite offer for settlement by the end of October past. No such offer was received.

The Committee has termed "both harsh and ridiculous" an "informal" offer presented recently by the Austrians. The new proposal offers \$1.15 million in payment for heirless property—the major bone of contention in the negotiations—in place of \$12 million asked by Jewish representatives. Charging that Austria "which at any time in the past 50 years has not been as prosperous as it is today" cannot "honestly claim inability to meet our demands," and that the amount requested will not place a burden upon the Austrian economy, a Committee spokesman said the new offer "offends the dignity of the claims and constitutes no appreciable assistance to Hitler's victims." The spokesman claimed the property in question "has disappeared into the Austrian economy and is still benefiting that economy."

## Goldmann Welcomes US Moves To Review Middle East Policy

PHILADELPHIA (JP)—Dr. Nahum Goldmann, chairman of the Jewish Agency for Palestine, in an address here, welcomed the Eisenhower administration's current review of its policy in the Middle East and expressed hope it would restore peace and stability between Israel and the Arabs.

Dr. Goldmann, speaking before 500 Jewish leaders at a seven-state regional conference of the American Zionist Council, gave the first reply by any Zionist leader on a message from Secretary of State John Foster Dulles delivered to a Weizmann Scientific Institute dinner in New York last week by Solicitor General Simon E. Sobeloff.

Sobeloff said in New York that "in accordance with the desires of the President, Secretary Dulles is actively engaged in the

evaluation of our efforts in the Near East with the purpose of hastening progress toward these policy objectives."

Dr. Goldmann said that "this type of review was precisely what American friends of Israel have been demanding for many months."

The meeting also discussed the Zionist role in Jewish education, the part to be played by American Jewish youth and activities of the organizations.

Other speakers included Rabbi Irving Miller, chairman of the American Zionist Council; Rabbi Mordecai Kirshblum, president of the Mizrahi Organization of America, and Jacob Katzman, executive secretary of the Labor Zionist Organization of America.



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# RELEASE FREIGHTER

## Cairo Move to Free Crew, Part of Cargo, Welcomed

UNITED NATIONS, N. Y. (JP)—Israel has indicated it will press for unconditional release of the freighter Bat Galim, seized Sept. 28 by Egypt, in addition to the freeing of its crew and part of the cargo as announced this week by Cairo.

Egypt's announcement to the United Nations that it was releasing the ten-man crew and part of the cargo—reports from Cairo last week said some of the cargo had been sold at auction—came just before the Security Council was to debate the controversy over the ship. The Council postponed the discussion awaiting further Egyptian action.

The Council had been urged by Israel to discuss its charges that Egypt persisted in interfering with Israel-bound vessels using the Suez canal. Israel held the Bat Galim case as merely the most recent "flagrant" violation of the freedom of the Suez by Egypt.

**'INSUFFICIENT EVIDENCE'**  
Egypt's announcement, made by Omar Loutfi, Cairo delegate to the United Nations, gave the reason for release of the crew and cargo as "insufficient evidence" to support the charges that the Bat Galim's crew had fired on and killed an Egyptian fisherman. Egypt said that it had been decided to drop the charges of murder, attempted murder and unlawful carrying of weapons.

Egypt will release the crew as soon as the necessary formalities have been concluded. The seized cargo will be released immediately.

Israeli officials welcomed release of the ship, asserting that Egypt "had not the slightest right to interrupt in the first place" the ship's journey.

**WILL PRESS CHARGES**  
Israel's delegation indicated it would continue to advance its government's contention that the seizure was a "warlike act against Israel," thus in violation of the 1949 Egyptian-Israeli armistice agreement, of a 1951 Security Council resolution calling on Egypt to stop interfering with ships using the Suez, of accepted maritime practice, and of the nine-power Constantinople convention of 1888 covering free transit of the Suez.

The convention states: "The Suez Maritime Canal shall always be free and open, in time

of war as in time of peace, to every vessel of commerce or of war, without distinction of flag . . . The canal never shall be subjected to the exercise of the right of blockade."

Although it was not ratified by Egypt, it was ratified, among others, by Turkey, which at that time controlled Egypt.

Egypt contends that despite the 1949 armistice, she is technically at war with Israel and that the practice of search and stoppage of vessels was covered by the 1888 convention.

## Anti-McCarthy Senators Get Anti-Semitic Mail

WASHINGTON (JP)—A flood of virulently anti-Semitic mail was received last week by several senators supporting the censure of Sen. Joseph R. McCarthy (R-Wis.).

Senator J. William Fulbright (D-Ark.), one of the original supporters of Senator Ralph E. Flanders' (R-Vt.) motion to censure, quoted on the Senate floor from a letter he received from G. Gurley, president of the Chemical Attraction Oil Corp. of Texas.

Wrote the Texas businessman, who said he was associated with the movement to collect 10 million signatures opposing passage of the censure resolution:

"When you joined the only Jew to vote against 76 senators that proved you were the henchman of the Jew Deal. H. H. Lehman should be deported out of this nation to Russia, or let Germany take that 'bird' in and give him the gas, like Hitler did, as per my opinion of his record."

## PLANT TREES

NEW YORK (JP)—As additional defense against Arab attacks on Israel, 25 million trees are now being planted along the borders of the Jewish state by the Jewish National Fund.

## Yaddin Sidetracked As Eban Replacement

TEL AVIV (JP)—Maj. Gen. Yigael Yaddin, former Israel army chief of staff, who was rumored to have been in line to replace Abba Eban as Israel's chief delegate to the United Nations, now seemingly has been dropped from consideration, the organ of the Progressive party, "Zemanim", has reported.

General Yaddin, who recently made an extensive tour of the U.S., and is presently in England, has now been appointed a lecturer of archeology at the Hebrew university of Jerusalem.



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## State Bans Asking Religion Of Violators

NEW YORK (JP)—As a result of various compliments from upstate New York traffic violators state law enforcement authorities have been told they may not question offenders as to their religion.

In a reply made to the Anti-Defamation League, which brought the matter to the attention of Gov. Thomas Dewey's office, the governor's counsel said that some local officials apparently were following obsolete procedures in their questioning.

"With reference to minor crimes, such as traffic violations and similar offenses," the counsel's office said, "the most the state has ever required is information regarding the number of such offenses. However, in the early 1930's many local courts and law enforcement agencies prepared detailed forms for use in arraignments for minor crimes and traffic violations. They apparently copied the forms used for more serious offenses."

Local agencies have since been told to destroy all obsolete forms and to refrain from making inquiries about religious affiliation.



## ...with organizations

As a service to organizations who may be scheduling affairs of their own and who seek to avoid a conflict of dates with other organizations The POST will print an advance announcement of forthcoming national and regional meetings. These notices will appear only once and in this section.

● **Campaign . . .** The 1954-55 combined campaign for American Reform Judaism, which provides the maintenance needs of the Union of American Hebrew

Congregations and the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, has been opened. The campaign will seek \$2,340,000 by June 30.

● **Drive . . .** A unified and simultaneous campaign to raise funds from among Jewish military personnel in all branches of the United States armed forces on behalf of the United Jewish Appeal will be initiated for the first time during Hanukkah (Dec. 20-28) under the auspices of the National Jewish Welfare Board.

● **Dedication . . .** Yeshiva university will dedicate its 26th annual Scholarship Fund dinner Dec. 12 to the American Jewish Tercentenary by highlighting "Jewish Contributions to American Education." The proceeds of the dinner will be applied to meeting the university's current scholarship budget. Yeshiva university will spend \$448,700 during the academic year 1954-55 to provide scholarships for 1,549 students, or 75 per cent of its enrollment.

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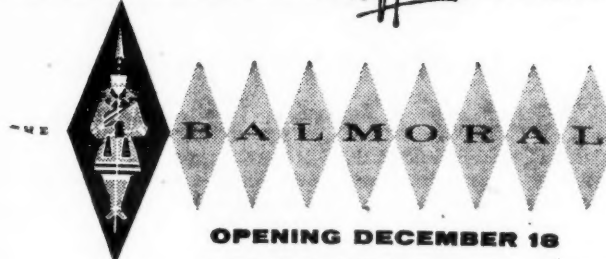
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# Anti-Semitism Charged As Issue By Monmouth Scientists' Counsel

By LILI ELLER

Jewish Post Correspondent

NEW YORK (JP)—Insisting that anti-Semitism has been the sole issue in the Army and McCarthy committee investigations at Fort Monmouth, Harry Green, defense counsel of the suspended scientists, fought a violent verbal argument over the air Sunday afternoon.

Green, who was the featured speaker on the first of a series of broadcasts sponsored by The Jewish Post over New York radio station WLIB, said that when the McCarthy committee in the summer of 1953 had "finished Washington and was looking for greener fields, it plunged into the sensational Fort Monmouth investigation, and as it had to have a scapegoat, turned to the scapegoat of history—the Jewish people."

One of the four newspapermen interviewing Green, Victor Lasky, editor of the American Legion reader, strongly challenged that statement and asked for an apology to the "American people."

## SHAMEFUL SPECTACLE

Green insisted, however, that the investigation has made "some of the most brilliant scientists in this country the victims of a shameful and tragic spectacle, and of cruel and heartless abuse of power."

Joining Lasky in the questioning of lawyer Green were Solomon Dingol, editor of the Day, a Jewish newspaper, Moshe Kohn, former managing editor of the National Jewish Post, and Howard Rushmore, editor of Confidential magazine and a one-time member of McCarthy's committee. Charles Roth, New York bureau chief of the Post, acted as moderator.

Outlining his association with the case, Green said he had never before been involved in any "cause case" and had approached the matter with skepticism because he "could not conceive that in this day and age anything of this character could happen," and expecting "fuzzy kind of men," he found "brilliant, re-

sponsible men," whose sincerity was impressive.

Rushmore attempted to sweep the anti-Semitism issue aside by claiming the real issue was whether or not Fort Monmouth was being infiltrated by Communists.

## NO ESPIONAGE SINCE WAR

Quoting Army Secretary Stevens as saying that there has been no espionage at the Signal Corps center since the end of the war Green reiterated that the issue was one of outright discrimination.

Shortly afterwards Lasky an-

ly maintained that "the charges of anti-Semitism attributed to General Kirk Lawton are baseless, false charges against an American patriot." He blamed Green for originating the charges, but this the lawyer flatly denied.

Green also revealed that "suspensions and declassification are continuing right down to the present time, with the numerical superiority still Jewish, with a Negro or two thrown in." Of the 600 scientists at Monmouth, 125 are Jews, 60 of whom have been suspended.

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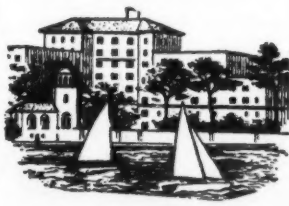
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# Mixed Seating Supporters Win In Cincinnati Synagogue Fight

By DAN BAUM

Jewish Post Correspondent

CINCINNATI (JP)—Mixed seating has won the field in Conservative Adath Israel congregation's nine-month controversy over a change from its tradition of separate seating for men and women.

The debate, which at one time nearly resulted in violence (JP, Mar. 12 '54), has been settled through private court litigation which brought a ruling supporting mixed or family seating.

In an 84 page opinion non-Jewish Hamilton county Probate Court Judge Chase M. Davies stated:

"We must conclude that the act of the Board of Trustees of the Feinberg synagogue, followed by the congregational vote on the resolution as to the Board's act presented at the meeting of March 3, 1954, was sufficient to permit optional family seating at services in the Feinberg synagogue."

## VOTE FELL SHORT

The vote taken at the time of the famed March meeting was 74.3 per cent in favor of the change. It was stated that a 75 per cent vote of the congregation is needed to amend the synagogue's constitution.

Sitting as a court with Judge Davies, as agreed by both sides of the controversy, was a mem-

ber representing the opinion of each of the litigants.

Those in favor of family seating selected Rabbi Joseph P. Sternstein, religious leader of the Beth Abraham synagogue in Dayton. Representing those opposed to the plan, was Sol Goodman, prominent Cincinnati attorney. Both sides agreed upon Judge Davies as the third party in the deciding group.

## GAVE TESTIMONY

During the hearings besides Rabbi Fischel Goldfeder, of Feinberg synagogue, two prominent religious leaders were called upon to give testimony and present evidence in favor of the plan. They were Rabbi Jacob D. Agus of the Beth El Synagogue, Baltimore, and Rabbi Solomon Faber of the Beth Israel Temple Center, Warren, O.

Testifying against the family seating plan was Rabbi Benjamin P. Lapidus of the Beth Jacob Congregation, Dayton, an authority in the field of Orthodoxy.

In his opinion Judge Davies emphasized that, "we are not attempting to make a decision which will affect under any circumstances seating in any other synagogue. To hold otherwise would be an assumption of this court to regulate the religious faith of members of this congregation. Under the federal and state constitutions there can be no disturbance of or limitation to the power and the right of the congregation to exercise that freedom of conscience which is the basis of our liberty."

## Jewish 'Vatican' Seen By Israel Chief Rabbi

NEW YORK (JP)—A proposal for the creation of an Orthodox Jewish counterpart to the Vatican by the enlargement of the Chief Rabbinal Council of Israel has been outlined by Rabbi Isaac Halevy Herzog, chief rabbi of Israel.



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The plan would include the selection of outstanding rabbis throughout the world and this group would be the supreme authority on interpretation of rabbinical law.

Rabbi Herzog, who recently left Israel for a trip to Britain and Canada, has reportedly sounded out various overseas rabbinical groups on the plan. The New York Times reports that one U.S. Orthodox group has been cool to the plan, but it is not revealed which group this is.

Although no formal steps have been taken to organize the new body, which because of Jewish law would have only moral authority, Rabbi Herzog has authorized construction of a \$400,000 building that would be the headquarters of the world authority.

Judge Davies urged in his conclusion that the members of the congregation forget their bitterness over the mixed seating quarrel. He stated:

"We have always been deeply impressed by the sentiments contained in the 133rd Psalm which proclaimed 'Behold how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity.' We sincerely hope and pray that now and henceforth all of the members of the great Feinberg synagogue will indeed dwell together in unity."

## Oved KO's Amabile For 9th Straight Win

NEW YORK (JP)—Maccabiah featherweight boxing champion David Oved pounded out his ninth consecutive bout in the United States with a fourth-round kayo of Anthony Amabile at the East-

ern Parkway Arena here.

This was Oved's fourth knock-out in this country, the other wins being by decision. Oved, from Haifa, had little trouble with Amabile.

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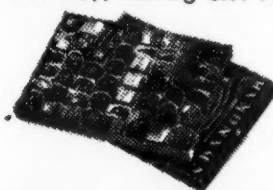


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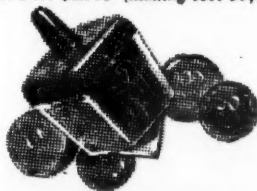
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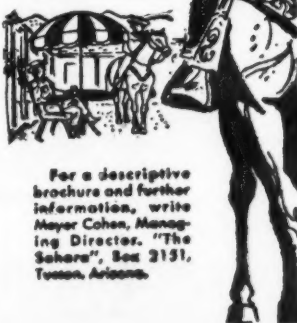
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## BOOKS

## 'Yossele Rosenblatt' Gives Feelin'g of Breakup of Traditionalism

By MEYER LEVIN

YOSSELE ROSENBLATT, a biography by Dr. Samuel Rosenblatt. \$4.50. Farrar, Straus, and Young.

REABBI Rosenblatt's book about his father tells a great deal more than it seems to tell, for the text is confined to a eulogistic account of his career, from child prodigy to \$15,000-a-holiday hassan. Yet precisely because so much of the story deals with financial worries and involvements, we get the feeling of the breakup of traditionalism, the emergence of the present-day attitudes in religious observance.

Not that Yossele Rosenblatt ever faltered or changed. He was devout, and strict in his observance, all of his days. But it was his very purity, his naivete, in the face of the changing pattern of Jewish life, that brought his troubles upon him. Despite the fact that he wanted only to be a simple singer before the



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Lord, he was driven to change after change, in his career, by growing financial demands that were eventually to force the hassan to enter the concert hall, and even to emerge on the vaudeville stage.

HE NEVER LOST his dignity. Even when he sang as part of the "stage presentation" in movie palaces, he created a synagogue around himself, by the magic of his presence, and the purity of his presentation. Yet, as we remember the four year old lad who was the wonder of wonders at the Sabbath table of Hasidic tsaddikim, and we see the black-bearded cantor taking his turn on the Keith circuit, we ask ourselves, "How on earth could such a career evolve?"

His son tells it, and tells it with some of the innocence that is clearly inherited from his father. His account of the dark period in which Yossele Rosenblatt labored to pay off \$150,000 in debts, incurred through his sponsorship of a Jewish weekly newspaper, is enough to make one weep for the gullible, impractical "Jewish Caruso." In the end, Yossele

was virtually killed by his efforts to erase this debt. The strain, the frenzy of the years when he ran from friend to friend, to borrow a few hundred dollars, led to the fatal heart attack that came while he was acting in a film, in Jerusalem, some 20 years ago.

HIS VOICE, fortunately, remains, as do his compositions. We even have his presence, in the roughly completed film. Through this book, more comes to us. As from Sol Liptzin's biography his contemporary bard, Eliakum Zunser, there comes to us, through the Rosenblatt biography, a sense of the whole period that saw the great change from East European to American Jewish folkways.

For Cantor Rosenblatt's career as a folk artist, even with its final moment of hopeful revival in Palestine, epitomizes the career of his people. Of them as of him, in this period, it might be said, If only there weren't such growing expenses, if only it wasn't necessary to make so much money, what beautiful things could be done, what a nice life could be lived!

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play games and sing songs to induce an extra mouthful of nourishment into these same kiddies.

Just when Mama is busiest with outside activities, preparations for yomtov to come, that is always the time the family needs her most. And of course, the most public-spirited of us knows that her family's well being is her first responsibility.

There are only so many hours in Mama's day, and only so much energy in her body, although a reserve always seems ready to tap when needed. It's true that the altering of sister's dress in time for the party, and the fitting of costumes for sonny's part in the impending inter-faith holiday pageant can't be rushed. But there are corners which can be cut in the kitchen with out any sacrifice of food values or of Mama's reputation as the purveyor of maicholim.

### QUICK SALMON CHOWDER (milchig)

- 1 lb. can pink salmon
- 1 large can whole cernel yellow corn
- 1 cup raw rice
- 1 can tomato soup
- 4 cups water
- 2 tsps. salt
- 1/2 tsp. pepper
- 2 cups milk
- 1/4 cup finely chopped celery leaves
- chopped parsley for garnish

Mix salmon, corn, rice, tomato adjust seasonings. Herbs, such as thyme or marjoram may be added to taste. Serve with hot breads or rolls. This soup may be made in the pressure cooker by following the time and pressure directions given by the maker of your particular cooker for vegetable soup. Serves 6 to 8.

### SESAME COOKIES (parve)

- 2 egg whites
- 1/4 cup cake flour
- 1 cup sifted confectioner's sugar
- 1/4 tsp. salt
- 1 cup sesame seed

Beat egg whites until stiff. Sift dry ingredients together. Fold into egg whites, using fork. Fold in sesame seeds gradually, folding in as light as possible. Drop from teaspoon on a greased cookie sheet, two inches apart. Bake in quick oven (400 degrees) about 10 minutes or until lightly browned.

### LAMB AND BARLEY SOUP

- 2 lbs. breast of lamb, trimmed and cut up
- 2 tsps. salt
- 1/4 tsp. pepper
- 1/2 cup barley
- 1 cup bunch parsnip, turnip, leeks, celery leaves, parsley)
- 1 1/2 cups diced carrots
- 3 medium onions chopped
- 1 1/2 cups sliced celery or celery root
- 1 cup sliced mushrooms
- 2 quarts water

Brown lamb to render fat. Pour off fat. Add water, salt, pepper, barley and chopped soup bunch. Bring to boil, cover, and simmer for 2 hours. Remove meat. Trim off any fat and bones. Return meat to soup. Add all vegetables. Bring to boil. Skim. Lower heat and simmer 1/2 hour. Taste and

### A Word To The Wives

Now's the time to check that Hanukah list.

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Leichter for the menorah?

Hanukah greeting cards to send to friends?

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EDMOND FLEG, A SPRIGHTLY 80

## With Majestic Words This Poet Answers An Early Call Of God

By MARGO H. WOLFF  
Jewish Post Correspondent

THE honored old man nodded. His soft voice seemed to come from far away as he said, "I heard His call very early."

"When I was a little boy, the gap between Christianity and Judaism was very big. I tried to build bridges . . . bridges of thoughts. I just told what I felt as a little Jewish boy in the midst of Gentile life. My 'Little Prophet' was in search of a world where Jews and Christians could live together as brethren . . ."

That is how the most admired, most influential and most intensely Jewish of all French poets, Edmond Fleg, spoke as he reached his 80th birthday on November 26.

He suddenly stopped and added: "But two World Wars came . . ."

THE LAST ONE not only chased Edmond Fleg away from his beloved home in Paris but also saw both his sons killed in action. The poet and his wife became fugitives and later, instead of executing their deportation order, Italian soldiers respectfully saved the Flegs, crying "ecce poeta!" (long live the poet). "Italians still believe in poetry," says Fleg.

On his birthday, the sprightly 80-year-old man of letters received the highest honor ever paid a French writer. Not even such famed men as Balzac and Flaubert ever were given the honor that came to the French Jew Edmond Fleg:

He is the first member in the 130 year history of the Society of Letters whose birthday was proclaimed a national holiday.

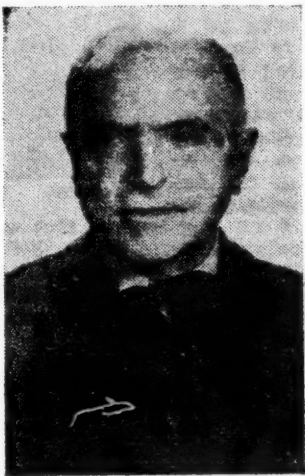
But more important to the aging writer than national holidays is the future of the Jew in France and in the world.

AN INDEFATIGABLE fighter for a Jewish renaissance all over the world, Fleg several years ago became the head of the French section of the World Jewish Congress. He has devoted the last few years entirely to the struggle to re-shape the role of French Jewry. Though he recognizes the danger of growing anti-Semitism in his native country, a trend toward inter-marriage and assimilation, he nevertheless sees signs "of hope and confidence."

Although a liberal, the poet, growing older, more and more appraises the "virtues of traditional Judaism."

A Zionist since his boyhood, Fleg saw and sees Jewish salvation by the "building of Zion in Israel."

Returning from Israel, he was



EDMOND FLEG  
'Bridges of Thoughts'

full of optimism for the "economic and spiritual growth of the Holy Land." However, his main idea now centers around the re-orientation of French Jewry towards the Jewish state.

CONVINCED THAT French Jewish youth especially is called to "play a very important role for the upbuilding of the Jewish state," Fleg's last book makes a strong appeal to French Jewry to "come to see and experience the great reality of Israel."

In his hymn to Eretz Israel, "The Earth Where God Dwells," Fleg explains his feeling that he "was called to follow King David's tradition."

Certainly no other living Jewish poet represents the noblest aspirations of our prophets better than Edmond Fleg with his belief that "Judaism again will become the greatest spiritual force on earth."

### PLANT MORE CITRUS

JERUSALEM — The Jewish Agency Settlement department has reported that an area of about 4,500 acres is to be planted with citrus groves in over 60 new villages during the current year.

### Jewish Tourist Guide

## Historic Jewish Sites in U.S.

This column is based on the book, "A Jewish Tourist's Guide to the U.S." by Bernard Postal and Lionel Koppmann, Philadelphia, The Jewish Publication Society of America, 1954, 670 pages. \$5.00.

By LIONEL KOPPMAN

ONE of the comedians at the recent Night of Stars program of the United Jewish Appeal at Madison Square Garden said that a Jewish holiday was being marked now and that it was known as "Erev Florida." That being the case, suppose we go down there and see what there is to see. We have already made two "trips to Florida via this column, and this will make the third.

BROAD CAUSEWAY, the main highway linking the mainland of Dade county with Miami Beach, was built by and named for Shepard Broad, attorney and civic leader. In 1950, Broad was voted Dade county's outstanding citizen. A bronze plaque with Broad's portrait in bas relief is affixed to the Causeway entrance.

On the slope of Iron Mountain 2½ miles from Lake Wales is the Singing Tower, a memorial to Edward Bok, the noted editor and journalist. On its north door is a series of bas-reliefs telling the story of the six days of Creation, as described in the Book of Genesis. The majestic staircase, the hanging lamps, the delicate window grill and the bronze door to Bok's crypt are all the work of the master iron craftsman, Samuel Yellin.

In a tiny park just outside of Port St. Joe stands Constitution Monument, which lists the name of David Levy, along with the other members of the 1838 constitutional convention. It was this convention that framed Florida's first constitution and asked for admittance to the Union. The granite monument stands on the approximate spot occupied by the building in which the convention was held.

Incidentally Levy county on the west coast of Florida is named for Levy. Although Levy changed his name to Yulee after his election to the Senate, the state's geographers retained his original name when they platted new counties. Levy county adjoins Alachua county, in which Yulee's father owned large tracts of land. Levy Lake is named for Yulee's father, Moses Elias Levy. This popular fishing spot is part of the land on which the elder Levy tried to establish a Jewish colony in the 1820s.

There are other places of Jewish interest in Clearwater, Ellenton, Homosassa Springs, Jacksonville, Miami and Miami Beach, Sarasota and Tallahassee.

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## They All Are Jews



Knight of the Bow  
Jascha Heifetz  
1901

JASCHA Heifetz was the son of a humble Russian violinist playing in Vilna with a local symphony orchestra. When he was eight months old, Jasha would stop crying when music was played. At three, he was brought his first violin and amazed his father with the uncanny aptitude he displayed. He played instinctively, as if some magic powers were guiding his fingers. Taken to the conservatory, the professor admonished Jasha's father, saying that a boy of four was too young to be taught. However, the ambitious father insisted that his Jasha be heard, and after the professor heard the child play, he proclaimed him a genius.

When he was six, while other children played with blocks, Jasha was giving recitals before large Russian audiences. He was brought for instruction to the great teacher, Leopold Auer, who had taught the most celebrated violinists of the age. The boy studied little, but played the most difficult concert by heart, after rehearsing them only two or three times.

When the boy was 12, the famous teacher said to Jasha's father, "Your son is the type of genius who is born only once in hundreds of years. I am finished. There is nothing more that I can teach him." The young genius embarked on a European concert tour that was an unprecedented triumph. Thousands sat spellbound at the magic of his music and then fought with police to get closer to the boy.

He came to the United States for his first concert at 17, and was proclaimed by the public, the critics and fellow musicians the greatest living master of the violin. Today his playing is sheer perfection, and his fame is secure among the musical greats of all time.

This feature is condensed from the book, "They Are All Jews," with biographies by Mac Davis, and portraits by E. E. Claridge, through courtesy of the Hebrew Publishing Company, New York N. Y.

## Your Name

Want to know what your name means?  
Address your question to Mr. Pearlroth,  
National Jewish Post, Box 1633, Indianapolis 6, Ind.

By N. PEARLROTH



DEAR Mr. Pearlroth: My name is Hochzeit. My father and grandfather both came from Upper Silesia in Poland. I would appreciate your telling me the origin of my name. All that I know about my name is the meaning of it in German.—MAX HOCHZEIT, New York, N. Y.

HOCHZEIT is a German word meaning "a wedding." As a Jewish family name it is a translation of the name of a village. The village is situated in Zips territory which at one time was Polish, became a part of Hungary and finally wound up as a possession of Czechoslovakia after World War I. The name of the village is Wesele, Hungarian Veszle in the district of Name-szto. At the time Hungarian Jews were obliged to assume permanent family names there were seven Jewish inhabitants in Wesele, all of German ancestry. One of them was probably your ancestor who took the Polish meaning of Wesele, translated it into the German Hochzeit, and made the term his family name.

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DEAR Mr. Pearlroth: Kindly let me know the origin of the name Lubowitz. My parents lived in the town of Ciechanowicz in Grodno or Lomza Gubernia of Russian Poland.—BENJAMIN LUBOWITZ, Brooklyn, N. Y.

LUBOWITZ is a name of geographical origin. It is taken from the name of the village of Lubowicz, in the district of Ciechanowicz in Poland. There are three villages of that name next door to one another. But there were only two Jewish families in all three of them, in 1804. They were employed in the local distillery. From one of them you are probably descended, Ciechanowicz, the county seat is a geographical curiosity in that it is divided in two, each half belonging to a different gubernya, now called wojewodztwo. It is also remarkable that the family name retained virtually the original spelling of the locality.



## A Rhapsody of Thanks

Bruno Eidinger, 48, a violinist, celebrates his arrival in the United States with music, as his wife, Elizabeth, 32, and their children, George, 8, and Anushka, 4, listen to their father's instrumental hymn of joy on their arrival recently in New York with the assistance of United HIAS, Service, worldwide Jewish migration agency.



NEW YORK

## U.S. Repeats Blunders Of Others In Near East

by M. Z. FRANK



**B**EFORE World War I, Egypt was nominally under Turkish rule, but in practice administered by British officials, or "advisers". Yemen and the territory now occupied by Saudi Arabia had local Arab chieftains who owed allegiance to the Sultan of Turkey. The countries now known as Iraq, Syria, Lebanon, Israel and Jordan were part of the Turkish Empire, administered by local officials appointed by the Sultan.

When the Turks joined the Germans in the war, some British officials got some Arabs to revolt against the Turks and help the British. T. E. Lawrence got very few Arabs to make an awful lot of noise, doing little fighting, which gave him a chance to write a brilliant book in which there is more romance than truth—or as Mark Twain says, a book full of "stretchers". For some reason he picked the obscure Hussein of Hedjaz to be the leader of all the Arabs and his sons, Feisal and Abdullah to be the co-leaders.



SAUD

**THE ARAB PROVINCES** of the Turkish Empire were taken away from the Turks—Syria and Lebanon to be administered by the French, the rest by the British. The British made Feisal king in Damascus, in Syria, and Abdullah king in Baghdad, in Iraq. Old Hussein, their father, was to be ruler of Hedjaz.

So the French kicked Feisal out of Damascus and the British switched: Feisal was made king in Baghdad, and Abdullah was made king in Amman, in Transjordan, which had originally been intended to be part of the Jewish Homeland. But in 1922, the Jews were slow in financing the colonization of the Homeland and the British had an unemployed king on their hands.

Some years later, British officials, who worked against Lawrence and his policies, disregarded what Lawrence had promised Hussein and helped Ibn Saud give Hussein a good licking and take away his kingdom. Hussein died in exile. Hussein's sons and grandsons, who reigned in Iraq and in Transjordan, never loved Ibn Saud. But they say a daughter-in-law to one of Hussein's sons or grandsons—in Iraq or in Transjordan, I don't remember which—is willing to play along with Ibn Saud's successor.

**AGHA KHAN**, one of the leading and most famous Moslems in the world, claims he had foreseen it all. Let me quote from his book (The Memoirs of Aga Khan, Simon & Schuster, New York, 1954):

"Muslim opposition to the break-up of the Turkish Empire had a basis . . . We foresaw what actually happened . . . Even now after the lapse of 30 years or more, the Arab states that succeeded the Ottoman Empire . . . are nothing but an aggregation of small kingdoms and republics, not one of them capable of standing up alone . . ."

The French administered Syria and Lebanon; the British managed or mismanaged the rest. Both France and Britain did some

## MUSIC

### 'Abie's Irish Rose' Has Staled And Just Isn't So Funny Today

By JOSEPH GALE

**"A**BIE'S Irish Rose," the longest running play in the world until "Tobacco Road" came along, is in its second Broadway revival, at the Holiday Theater, or was at the time of this writing. Anna Nichols' sentimental story about the marriage of a Catholic girl to a Jewish boy, and its ensuing complications, had its premiere May 23, 1922, and ran for five years. The first revival opened May 12, 1937, and the present one Nov. 18.

There used to be a saying that the sun never set on the British

good, introduced more modern methods, more order. Both made mistakes, each in her own way. One of the worst blunders of the British was to keep on undermining the position of the French. During World War II, the British, with the help of the United States, finally ousted the French from all influence in Syria and Lebanon.

**SO FAR AS LEBANON** is concerned—the only predominantly Christian country in that region—British and United States just threw the Christian Lebanese to the tender mercies of the Moslems, whereas France used to protect the Christians. But worse than that, by undermining the French position, the British dug their own grave in the Middle East. The ousting of the French from Syria and Lebanon made it all the easier to oust the British from the Suez—with American help.

Now the United States State Department is repeating the blunders of the British. The ouster of the British from the Middle East, especially from the Suez, is not going to help the American position in that part of the world.

Recently Ben-Gurion wrote that it seemed to him nothing in the world would stop the Americans from repeating the blunders of the British in the Middle East.

History may not necessarily repeat itself, and Ben Gurion's prediction may yet prove wrong. But so far, State Department "experts" have been aping the technicians of the British Foreign Office and Colonial Office, while kidding themselves that they are smarter than the British.

Empire or "Abie's Irish Rose," and that somewhere, some company or other was performing it. I doubt that the saying is any longer true; the current production, far from perpetuating the legend, should lay it to rest for the last time on Broadway. There is very little wrong with the production itself. The play's the thing, and Miss Nichols should have been satisfied with her laurels.

However, she updated the dialogue. But she did not, at the same time, modernize the basic situation. The latter, of course, would have been impossible to do unless the play were rewritten completely, and a new play would not be "Abie's Irish Rose," the warm comedy that captured the hearts of millions. It would not be a comedy at all, but a question full of perplexity.

**THE ISSUE OF** intermarriage may have been regarded otherwise in 1922, but in these times, with people warier of each other, and with peace among faiths assuming the aspects of an uneasy truce, Miss Nichols' treatment of intermarriage is not simply naive, it is foolish.

The double message she offers is that love conquers all, and that if Rosie and Abie can get along, why can't their fathers, or for that matter, all of us? Good old brotherhood. Well, love conquers very little and solves less, and without knowledge and understanding, brotherhood is the face of bigotry. Miss Nichols' slipshod solutions and downright evasions are an affront.

This is purely a sociological reaction to the play, and it may be

unwarranted. I'm sure the author didn't dream of becoming involved in issues, and many may enjoy "Abie's Irish Rose" for what it is. But I doubt it. In 1922, intermarriage was less common; people knew it could never happen to them, so they laughed, safely. But in 1954, intermarriage is common and disturbing, since so often it has failed. Thirty-two years ago, a Christmas tree and baked ham in a household graced by a mezzuzah was so ludicrous it was funny. Today, it is neither ludicrous nor funny, because it happens.

**THERE ARE NUMBERLESS** instances pointing to the fact that the play should have been left to history, but I don't propose to go into them. I do wish to say that it is not impossible to enjoy "Abie's Irish Rose." The enjoyment may not be whole-hearted, but there are wonderfully typical exchanges and endearing scenes left untouched by social significance, and the principal members of the cast make the most of them.

Anna Appel, veteran of the Yiddish stage, and Ludwig Donath, best remembered as Al Jolson's father in "The Jolson Story," are superb in their respective roles as Mrs. Cohen, friend of the family, and Solomon Levy, Abie's father. The pair are only slightly overdrawn, but otherwise perfectly true to life, and at each turn display that they are professionals in a game too often handled by amateurs. Neil Fitzgerald is properly choleric as Patrick Murphy, Rosemary's father. Roger de Koven as Rabbi Samuels and Douglas Rutherford as Father Whalen do what they can with their parts, which gives them practically no room to move in. Val Dufour as Abie and Judith Paige as Rosie are simply handsome ciphers, and I felt sorry for them.



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Atlantis, 350 rooms, swimming pool. Dec. 20 - Jan. 20, \$14 - \$20; Jan. 20 - Mch. 15, \$21-\$30. Belmar, 130 rooms, swimming pool. Dec. 20 - Jan. 20, \$14-\$20; Jan. 20 - Mch. 16, \$20-\$30.

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Cadillac, 125 rooms, swimming pool. Dec. 20 - Jan. 20, \$12-\$22; Jan. 20 - Mch. 15, \$22-\$30. Carousel, 104 rooms, Dec. 15 - Jan. 15, \$8 - \$18; Jan. 15 - May 1, \$12-\$26.

Casa Grande Apts., 27 apt. \$600-\$900 season.

Delano, 209 rooms, swimming pool. Dec. 20 - Jan. 20, \$18-\$27; Jan. 20 - Mch. 20, \$24 - \$33.

Delmonico, 150 rooms, swimming pool. Jan. 20 - Mch. 15, \$22-\$31. Gaylord, 60 rooms, swimming pool. Dec. 20 - Jan. 15, \$8-\$14; Jan. 15 - Mch. 15, \$12-\$18.

Jo-Een Hotel, 28 rooms, Dec., \$15 single weekly; Jan. 1 - Apr. 1, \$20 weekly single.

Johnina, 100 rooms, swimming pool, Dec. 20 - Jan. 20, \$10-\$18; Jan. 20 - Mch. 15, \$14-\$20.

Leonard, 54 rooms, Dec. 20 - Mch. 10, \$40-\$60 weekly.

Lombardy, 175 rooms, swimming pool, Dec. 18 - Jan. 23, \$16-\$24; Jan. 24 - Mch. 15, \$20-\$32.

Mantell Plaza, 75 rooms, swimming pool. Dec. 15 - Jan. 20, \$8-\$12; Jan. 20 - Mch. 20, \$10-\$15.

Metropole, 100 rooms, Jan. \$120 - \$150 per month; Feb. \$150-\$175.

Monte Carlo, 200 rooms, swimming pool. Dec. 1 - Jan. 3 \$10-\$24; Jan. 3 - Mch. 7, \$16-\$30.

Morton, 38 apts., Dec. 18 - Jan. 20, \$85-\$125 weekly; Jan. 20 - Mch. 20, \$150-\$200.

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Palm Cottage, 13 rooms, winter season \$150 - \$200.

Royal Palm, 125 rooms, swimming pool, Dec. 20 - Jan. 20, \$12-\$18; Jan. 20 - Mch. 15, \$18-\$24.

Saxony, 250 rooms, swimming pool, Dec. 20 - Jan. 14, \$27 - \$35; Jan. 15 - Mch. 15, \$35-\$45.

Seacomber-Surfcomer, 200 rooms, swimming pool, Dec. 20 - Jan. 20, \$16-\$24; Jan. 20 - Mch. 15, \$18-\$24.

Strath Haven Hotel, 100 rooms, strictly kosher, Dec. 1 - 20, \$2-\$3; Dec. 20 - Mch. 10, \$3-\$7.50.

Shepley Hotel, capacity 80, Dec. 20 - Jan. 20, \$5; Jan. 20-Mch. 15, \$10 single.

Shoreham-Norman, 400 guests, Dec. 20 - Jan. 14, \$8-\$14; Jan. 15 - Mch. 14, \$20-\$24.

South Seas, 120 rooms, swimming pool, Dec. 20 - Jan. 20, \$12-\$18; Jan. 20 - Mch. 1, \$18-\$24.

Sterling, 150 rooms, swimming pool, strictly kosher, American plan, Dec. 16 - Jan. 14, \$16-\$20; Jan. 14 - Mch. 19, \$34-\$42.

Tara, capacity 75, Dec. \$40 weekly; Jan. \$45; Feb. - Mch. 15, \$55.

Traymore, capacity 275, swimming pool, Dec. 20 - Jan. 16, \$10-\$24; Jan. 16 - Mch. 16, \$18 - \$28.

Triton, 103 rooms, swimming pool, Dec. 15 - Jan. 15, \$14-\$18; Jan. 15 - Mch. 15, \$18-\$24.

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## First Combined Service Seen On Wisconsin TV

MILWAUKEE (JP)—For the first time in Wisconsin history leaders of all three branches of Judaism co-operated recently in a single worship service.

The service held in a Conservative synagogue, was televised over station WTMJ-TV and was designed as part of this city's celebration of the American Jewish

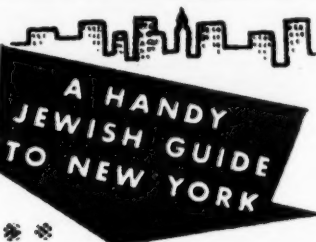
Tercenary. Although the TV station had previously televised services in other synagogues, as part of its continuing series of weekly religious telecasts, this marked the first occasion of a joint service.

The suggestion of Rabbi Louis J. Swichkow, at whose synagogue the program was conducted, the

service drew nearly 1,000 persons to Beth El Ner Tamid. Joining Rabbi Swichkow in conducting the service were Rabbis Solomon Schulson, Harry Pastor, Harold Baumrind, Paul Greenman, Herbert Friedman, Jacob Twerski, David Becker and David Shapiro. Acting Mayor Charles Quirk was also present and delivered the city's greetings to its Jewish citizens.

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# IN NEW YORK



### Interesting Places To See

Emma Lazarus Plaque at Statue of Liberty, Bedloe's Island.  
House of Living Judaism, 838 Fifth Avenue, 11 E. 70 St.  
Jewish Institute of Religion, 40 W. 50th St.  
Jewish Museum, 5th Ave. and 92 St.  
Jewish Theological Seminary B'way, 3090 Broadway, New York 27.  
Lower East Side—(remnants of old ghetto) Delancey St.  
Spanish and Portuguese Synagogue, 2 W. 70th St.  
Temple Emanuel, 1 E. 65 St.  
Yeshiva University, Amsterdam Ave. and 185 St.

### National Organizations

American Jewish Congress, 15 E. 84th St.  
Jewish National Fund, 41 E. 42nd St., VA-6-3780.  
National Community Relations Advisory Council, 9 E. 38th, MU-5-1606.

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## Coming Events

Dec. 10, 11, 12. UNITED JEWISH APPEAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE, Waldorf Astoria Hotel.  
December 12. YESHIVA UNIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIP FUND DINNER, Waldorf Astoria Hotel. 7 p.m.

December 15. AMERICAN ISRAEL CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY. Luncheon. Hotel Commodore, 42d St. and Lexington Ave. 12 noon.

December 23. GREATER NEW YORK COMMITTEE FOR ISRAEL BONDS Hanukkah Festival. Madison Square Garden.

December 25. BROOKLYN COLLEGE HILLEL party for national Hillel members. Brooklyn College Hillel Foundation. 8 p.m.

December 27-30. FOUNDING CONVENTION OF STUDENT ZIONIST ORGANIZATION. Columbia University.

January 9. YESHIVATH TORAH VODAATH & MESIVTA ANNIVERSARY DINNER. Waldorf Astoria Hotel.

### Cultural

Friday, Dec. 10. PSYCHOANALYSIS AND JEWISH VALUES. Discussion by Dr. Abraham N. Franzblau and Rabbi Louis Binstock. Park Ave. Synagogue, 50 E. 87 St.

Tuesday, Dec. 14. A PSYCHIATRIST'S ANALYSIS OF THE AMERICAN JEWISH FAMILY. Lecture by Dr. Henry Raphael Gold. YMHA, 92d St. and Lexington Ave.

Tuesday, Dec. 14. REESTABLISHMENT OF THE SANHEDRIN IN OUR TIMES. Rabbi Tibor Stern. West Side Institutional Synagogue, 122 W.

76 St. 8:15 p.m.

Wednesday, Dec. 15. CAN AMERICAN JEWRY DEVELOP A CREATIVE JEWISH LIFE HERE? Forum. Congregation V'nai Jeshurun, 270 W. 89 St.

### Entertainment

#### Theatre

ABIE'S IRISH ROSE by Anne Nichols. In English. Holiday Theatre. Tuesday through Sunday. Mats. Sat. and Sun.

THE DYBBUK by S. Ansky. In English. 4th St. Theatre. Tuesday through Sunday. Mats. Sat., Sun.

SANDS IN THE NEGEV by Yigal Mosenson. In English. President Theatre. Tuesday through Sunday. Mats. Sat., Sun.

STONE FOR DANNY FISHER by Leonard Kantor. In English. National Theatre. Every evening except Thursday. Mats. Sat., Sun.

WEDDING IN ISRAEL. In Yiddish. Elmsere Theatre. Friday through Sunday. Mats. Sat. Sun.

WILL THEY REMEMBER by Harry Kalmanowich. In Yiddish. Parkway Theatre, Brooklyn. Every evening except Thursday. Mats. Sat., Sun.

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#### FILMS

Sunday, Dec. 26. SINGING BLACKSMITH by David Pinski. In Yiddish. YMHA, 92 St. and Lexington Ave.

#### CONCERTS

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Thursday, Dec. 16. LAW IN THE ANCIENT NEAR EAST AND ISRAEL. Talk by Dr. Sam-

uel Noah Kramer of the University of Pennsylvania. Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion, 40 W. 68th St.

Friday, Dec. 17. THE NEED TO BELONG. Discussion by Dr. Paul Friedman and Rabbi Simon Noveck. Park Ave. Synagogue. 50 E. 87th St.

Tuesday, Dec. 28. RELIGIOUS EQUALITY FOR WOMEN IN JEWISH LAW. Talk by Rabbi Tibor Stern. West Side Institutional Synagogue, 122 W. 76th St.

Wednesday, Jan. 5. COOPERATIVES AND PRIVATE ENTERPRISE IN ISRAEL. Forum. Congregation B'nai Jeshurun, 270 W. 89th St.

Tuesday, Jan. 18. MODERN ENGLISH-JEWISH CLASSICS. Readings by Maurice Samuel. YMHA, Lexington Ave. and 92d St.

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### Victor Lerner, 43, Succumbs; Joint Defense Appeal Chief

NEW YORK (JP)—Victor Lerner, 43, national executive director of the Joint Defense Appeal, financial arm of the American Jewish Committee and the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, died Dec. 1 of a heart ailment.

Lerner, a native of St. Louis and a graduate of Washington university, became associated with the New York Federation of Jewish Philanthropies in 1936. He later became director of fund-raising for the American Fund for Israel Institutions and national campaign director of the Jewish Welfare Board. He also had served with the Greater New York fund.

During his administration of the Joint Defense Appeal, beginning in 1947, \$28 million was raised in the appeal to support programs to combat prejudice and discrimination and to safeguard democratic liberties.

### Sebastian Kletzky

PUEBLO, Colo. — Sebastian Kletzky, 53, died Nov. 18. He was a leader in Jewish affairs and a prominent drugstore chain head. For 14 years he was chairman of the Pueblo County Polio Foundation.

### Mrs. Ida Rivkin

NEW YORK (JP)—Mrs. Ida Friedman Rivkin, 40, a leader in religious, educational and social activities in Malverne, L. I., died Dec. 3.

### Philip Rockler, 53

MINNEAPOLIS (JP) — Philip Rockler, 53, a leader in civic and business affairs, died Nov. 23. Mr. Rockler, born in Russia, was a resident of Minneapolis for 41 years. He was a member of the Labor Zionists, the Minneapolis council of the National Conference of Christians and Jews and

the Standard Club. He was a past president of the Twin Cities Wholesale Fur Industries Association.

### Lillie Weidenthal

CLEVELAND—Miss Lillie Weidenthal, a teacher in the Cleveland public schools for 36 years and a member of a pioneer Cleveland family died Nov. 28. She was a member of the Temple and of Hadassah. She retired from school teaching in 1929.

### Morris Sachs, 76

NEWARK, N. J.—Morris Sachs, 76, a pioneer in organizing physical education activities for mental patients, died Nov. 27. He was a member of the Newark Turners, American Recreation Society, Columbia Masonic Lodge and Tall Cedars of Lebanon.

### Isador Silver, 71

NEW YORK (JP)—Isador Silver, a lawyer for 48 years, died Dec. 2 at Montefiore hospital. He was former head transfer and estate tax clerk of the New York state department of taxation and finance. Born in Austria, he was brought to New York at the age of eight months.

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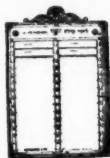
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## THE EDITOR'S CHAIR

I have been reading as many as possible of the articles which Ben Gurion has been writing for the Jewish Day-Journal. I find them clear and forthright, but most noticeable, in view of the former prime minister's propensity for speaking his mind regardless, is their restraint.

No berating of American Jews, no breast-beating, no pointing of the finger, although there is an underlying feeling of "if only the Jews of the world would rally to help Israel. Yet he makes no appeal, and the writing is peculiarly unemotional, but the kind of lack of tears which only one who has gone through much travail betrays.

Here's one of the recent columns, and you'll get what I mean: "We've got to look with open eyes on the situation in Israel. The people in the State of Israel are no minority depending on the good graces of the majority. They have a fatherland of their own. They produce most of their food and manufacture most of their articles of consumption. They have control over their territory and the air above it. Their culture has been inherited from their ancestors, and they have a language of their own—Hebrew, which unites them with all the generations that preceded them as well as with their fellow-Jews throughout the world. In Israel there is no differentiation between our needs as Jews and as human beings; our material as well as our spiritual life is encompassed within the framework of the sovereign Jewish State.

"However, having a state does not yet mean having a model state. And the sovereign Jewish State aims at becoming a model state."

"As matters stand today, we are a long way from being a well-ordered state, let alone a model state. We are still short in many qualities that make for an ideal society. We lack self-sufficiency. We have a long way to travel before we are able to absorb the 800,000 new immigrants who came to us from all corners of the globe within the last six years. We are yet to be consolidated into one people. The many differences in the degree of culture, education, Jewish knowledge, which characterize our population, composed

as it is of elements hailing from all parts of the world, are evidence that the process of national amalgamation is very far from having run its course. Moreover, we are suffering from a multiplicity of parties and factions which renders the operation of our democratic system extremely difficult.

"Yet, in spite of everything, we can point with pride to a number of great achievements wrought by our young state. The rise of the State of Israel was made possible by the matchless courage of our army. Our ability to defend ourselves against the host of our enemies, who are still plotting our destruction, arouses respect throughout the world. Our open gates, through which have streamed a large host of our people from lands of oppression, have excited the admiration of mankind. We have taken possession of an arid land, ruined by the neglect of centuries. We have begun to reclaim it and fructify it, and we are building a new civilization on the ancient, ancestral soil.

"Neither the United States of America, nor Australia, nor South Africa, nor any other country that was developed through immigration, can show a record of achievements comparable to ours, piled up in such a short time. Only the Scandinavian countries, that should be our model, achieved more by way of economic welfare coupled with social justice, but they have achieved it after hundreds of years of independence and a struggle against odds, which cannot compare with ours. "Nonetheless, the State of Israel cannot afford to rest on its young laurels. It has great tasks to perform in behalf of the Jewish people throughout the world. It must realize the prophecy of the Ingathering of the Exiles; that is our first concern. And it must embody in its development the social ideals of the Prophets. It must, in other words, become a model state.

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At the University of North, one of my fraternity brothers was Harry Kramer of Wallace, N. C. I haven't seen Harry since 1930 when I was thrust into the bitter world to fend for myself, as was he a year or so later.

But Harry has been reading The Post a few years, and vouchsafed in a letter to me some time that he drove every Sunday to Goldsboro, 100 miles distant to take his children to Sunday school.

I once knew of a family by the name of Neuman, in Jasper, Ind.,

THE one big need of Israel that the U. S. Jewish community could really fill, but is making no organized effort to do so—is in connection with tourism.

There are reasons which our Jewish business men and industrialists seem to consider sufficient for not investing in Israel.

And there are reasons which our young people or their parents consider valid why they are not going to the new nation to contribute of their skills, whether for a year or two or for their whole lives.

But there are no reasons, in fact, every factor points the other way, why hundreds of thousands of Americans, young and old, are not visiting Israel this year.

With a little ingenuity and a great deal of organization, we're sure that the 35,000 visitors to Israel in 1953, could be increased to 135,000 in a matter of ten years or less.

There should be tours from every Jewish community, organized and sponsored locally, with planes or even entire ships being chartered.

## Time for Tourism

There should be college groups from all parts of the country. Hebrew school and even Sunday school groups too. And Hadassah and B'nai B'rith and your synagogue and mine.

The price of the tours could be within the reach of almost everyone who takes a vacation—and who doesn't? Once the flood of visitors begins, it will snowball and multiply.

The need for American immigrants may be filled as the visitors see for themselves the opportunities for living in the new nation, and return to settle in Israel.

The matter of investments too may be met, as American Jews see the possibilities and the satisfactions from making a financial contribution in this way to the upbuilding in Israel.

In fact, this idea of pilgrimages to Israel from every logical group and city may prove the key to all of Israel's problems in connection with the American Jewish community.

It may also be the stimulus the Jewish community here needs as it grows to maturity and creativity.

## Democracy's Chance

WE'RE sure that the owner of the Camelback Inn, which has just lost the convention of the National Association of Attorneys General won't like what happened a bit. But we doubt that it will change their attitude except maybe for the worse.

But what about those Jews who the Camelback Inn has been "carefully" selecting with their non-Jewish guests.

Up until now these Jews could have pleaded that they were unaware of the un-American policies of the place, but now they have a decision to make, and we hope it will be the right one.

If these Jews who have been guests at the Camelback Inn will let the owners know what they think about its policy, and if some of the non-Jews who have been going there will also inform the Inn of their dislike for anti-Jewish policies, then the place will really have a change of heart.

The hotels and resorts charged with bias against Jews usually come forward with the flimsy excuse that their guests prefer not to be with Jews.

But these excuses can be exploded and democracy win a big victory if the Camelback Inn guests, Jews and non-Jews, disavow the management's policy.

## A Change In Attitude

WHETHER or not a Jew will ever be president of the U.S., and when, was asked 400 Jewish leaders and the replies from about half were in the affirmative, for sometime before the year 2100.

Of course, these replies were in the nature of guesswork, but they showed that some Jewish leaders do not think that the eventuality is too far distant in the future.

But whenever it happens, we'll hazard the guess that a good many Jews

will be fearful.

Or rather we should say that if the U.S. were to elect a Jew president now, a good many Jews wouldn't look with equanimity on the prospect.

Fifty or 100 years from now, with the Jewish community having proceeded at as quick a pace as it has been for the last ten years on the road to maturity, the possibility of a Jew as president will most likely be most welcome—a sign of the day when U.S. democracy too will have matured.

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## RABBINICAL CONFERENCE PRESIDENT BACKS VIEWS OF RABBI RUBINGER

Editor, Jewish Post:

The Rabbinical Conference of America, an organization of rabbis who received their theological training at the Yavne Hebrew Theological Seminary in Brooklyn, N. Y., and the Machon Maharschal in Jerusalem, has perused with keen interest the exchange of letters in the National Jewish Post which has involved the opinions of our First Vice President, Rabbi Naphtali Rubinger of Elyria, Ohio.

Knowing your editorial policy to be vitally concerned with the religious issues which confront the Jewish community of the United States, we feel that you are rendering a distinct service to your readers in bringing the traditional viewpoint of our colleague to the attention of the many subscribers to the Post which enjoys such a wide circu-

lation among so many and diverse elements in American Jewish community life.

The view which Rabbi Rubinger upholds on the question of conversion we believe to be sound and reasonable. We have been waiting for the clash of opinions to subside, and the fire of ideological zeal to abate, before entering into the controversy with what we are convinced is a logical and reasonable approach to the issue of conversion.

Rabbi Rubinger is not pursuing an unreasonable attitude when he calls for order in the chaos of procedures in conversion practices which mark the American scene. His criticism is directed at those rabbis who further complicate the status of religious practise by becoming parties to haphazard conversions which not alone vio-

late basic procedures in Halakah, but which deal severe psychological blows to converts who are often sincere but unwitting victims of the disorder promoted by disregard for essential procedures in conversion.

The candidate for conversion cannot always be aware that a conversion ceremony inconsistent with Halakic practise will expose the convert to questionable status as such and will reflect, in the case of the female convert, on the status of the children, who, it seems to us are the most unfortunate victims of this irresponsibility on the part of some American rabbis.

Almost every spiritual leader of a traditional synagogue will testify to the occurrence of incidents of a most pathetic and cruel nature. Children of a woman "converted" to Judaism are rejected by the Hebrew school, or children admitted to the school are later barred from the ceremony of Bar Mitzvah when the illegal method of the mother's "conversion" is learned, or a young man or woman identified with the synagogue all their lives are informed by their rabbi of his inability to officiate at a service of marriage because on examining the mother of the bride or groom it was determined that no bona fide conversion had actually taken place, and that neither the mother nor her offspring have status in Judaism.

The burden invariably falls upon the traditionalist rabbi who

acting in accordance with Halakah must reject the "convert" and her children. It is he who is called "bigot," "reactionary," "cruel and narrowminded," when the real culprits are the calloused rabbis, who without qualms of conscience, depart from the order and established procedures in Halakah which maintain the tradition in approach and fulfillment of the conversion rite. It is they who perpetrate cruelty, and expose the innocent "convert" to the shocking information that they are not converts after all.

It is to these rabbis that Rabbi Rubinger addresses his criticism. He is justifiably irate. He is to be commended for his courage, and for his willingness to expose himself to attack from those who are less zealous for the Halakah. We are convinced that Rabbi Rubinger has said what had to be said. We recommend his suggestions for clarity in conversion procedures to the non-conformist rabbis, and we subscribe to his admonition that the logical basis for establishing procedures rests in our Halakah.

You have rendered a service to the Anglo-Jewish reader in airing the views of Rabbi Rubinger in so vital an issue to the very maintenance of the structure of Jewish life.

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# ZOA House's Quick, Fair Action On Labor Problem Gets Plaudits

By CARL ALPERT

TEL AVIV—Now it can be told!

A few months ago the Z.O.A. House here in Tel Aviv was the scene of an exciting drama which for a time threatened to erupt into a national cause celebre. Tempers flared, and the more sensational of Israel daily papers prepared their biggest and boldest headlines. To the best of my knowledge, almost nothing has been published in America about the situation, but it certainly should be of interest, if only for the glimpse it affords of the relationship between the Z.O.A. House and the Israel community.

Within the past year the House has become a major factor in the cultural life of Tel Aviv. Its auditorium and its halls are filled almost nightly with art exhibits, concerts, recitals, lectures, etc. Any list of "Where to Go—What to Do" in Tel Aviv invariably lists the Z.O.A. House several times daily.

As the activities at the center multiplied, the Z.O.A. directors made arrangements with ten or a dozen men to be on call for duty as ushers at the major events to ensure quick seating and decorum. The plans worked well, and cultural functions held

at the House always ran smoothly. At the same time, a number of men, heads of families, had an opportunity to augment their income from their service as ushers. They became a trained and efficient unit.

INTO THIS situation stepped the Histadrut - dominated Labor Exchange. Labor officials explained to the management of the House that they claimed jurisdiction over such employment, and requested that the ushers be dismissed and replaced by others hired through the official Exchange.

That was when tempers began to rise. A peaceful picket line was thrown around the Z.O.A. House. Conferences were held. Each side presented its case, somewhat along the following lines.

The Z.O.A. House maintained that since the building was owned and operated by a particular organization, that group had the right to engage in its own internal employees. Would the Harvard Club hire Yale men? If the Z.O.A. felt that service in the House could best be rendered by General Zionists, then it was within the right of the House management to engage General Zionists — or anyone else they wished. Further, this particular staff had already been on the job for some time. They had been trained in the fulfillment of their duties, and any change at the height of the concert season would inevitably contribute to

confusion in handling the thousands of people who weekly attend affairs at the House.

The Labor Exchange made these points. First of all, they said, the House is not a political headquarters, but a cultural institution, and as such it should come under the jurisdiction of the government-recognized Labor Exchange, which caters to the labor needs of all such institutions. Further, the Exchange has on its lists many hundreds of competent men, many of them residents of a maabara, immigrants' transient camp, who had no jobs at all. It was not fair to hire as evening ushers men who held down other jobs during the day. Why not spread the work and provide some employment to these others who were completely unemployed?

THE ARGUMENTS were in. After due consideration a committee officially representing the House came to the conclusion that the request of the Labor Exchange was fair and just, and a formal agreement was drawn up with them governing the employment of ushers thereafter through the Labor Exchange.

"The Z.O.A. House is part of the community," a House spokesman said. "We want to help the community and its people. We are not anti-labor, and we welcome this opportunity to cooperate in spreading the economic benefits of the House, just as we seek to make its cultural advantages available to the broadest possible segment of the population."

There was one last bit of excitement. The former ushers and their friends, organized in a Workers' Association of their own, threw another picket line around the House to protest the agreement, but it was of no avail.

The concerts and the exhibits and the lectures continue at the Z.O.A. House, and labor relations are peaceful. By its prompt and fair action, the House has risen still another notch in the

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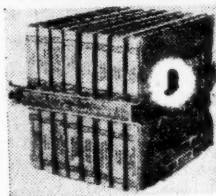
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## With the Rabbis

New Spiritual leader of Congregation Beth Jacob, Miami Beach, is Rabbi Akiva Chill, of New York... the Boston Rabbinical College has appointed Rabbi M. Homnick as dean of men and lecturer of the post-graduate group... Temple Shalom, Milton, Mass., installed Rabbi Jacob Hochman in his pulpit Dec. 5... Rabbi Leon Rosenberg has been installed at the Jewish Community Center of Palm Springs, Calif.

## Names In Review

Selected to the first string Associated Press Little All America football team has been Brandels end William McKenna... Col. Harry D. Henshel, vice-president and director of the Bulova Watch Company, has been voted the Gold Medal of Merit award given annually by the Jewish War Veterans of the U.S. ... the B'nai B'rith President's Medal for Humanitarianism will be presented in San Francisco to Harry K. Wolff on the occasion of his 75th birthday, Dec. 13.

Israel Seeks Solid Guarantees  
Of Peace by US, France, Britain

WASHINGTON (JP)—The State of Israel is reportedly now in the process of seeking formal commitments from the United States, Great Britain and France guaranteeing Israel's security in the event of attack.

Although British Foreign Secretary Sir Anthony Eden recently said in the House of Commons that Great Britain felt bound to aid Israel under the tripartite pact in the event of attack, the Israel gov-

ernment, apparently believes the three signatories of the pact should formalize their guarantees.

An informed Israeli source pointed out that while Secretary of State John Foster Dulles does not dissent from Eden's interpretation of the obligations of Great Britain, France and the United States under the pact, the U. S. could not go to Israel's aid without Congressional approval.

The Israel government has asked Dulles to consider a mutual security agreement or an equivalent guarantee that would not require sanction of the U. S. Senate.



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The Israeli government also has asked the U. S. to support a resolution in the United Nations Security Council demanding that Egypt release the Israel cargo vessel Bat Galim, seized in the Suez Canal on Sept. 28, and also release the ship's crew of 10, who were imprisoned.

Through diplomatic channels Israel has also expressed the view to the United States that further arming of the Arab states should be halted until the Egyptians and the Arab states abated their policy of hostility toward Israel.

If the Western Powers believe this is not feasible, Israel has suggested the alternative proposal that the Western Powers establish a balance of armed power in the Middle East by supplying Israel with arms equivalent to those supplied to the Arab states.

AJ Committee Urges  
French Participation

WASHINGTON (JP) — Three American Jewish Committee leaders, just returned from a tour of North Africa, have called on France to be a co-guarantor, together with the two local governments, of any human rights covenant agreed upon for Tunisia and Morocco.

Recommendations to protect the civil, religious and economic rights of Tunisian and Moroccan minorities—including 300,000 Jews—were contained in a memorandum presented to Henry A. Byroade, assistant secretary of state for Near Eastern, South Asian and African affairs, and to the French ambassador in the United States.

Irving M. Engel of New York, AJC president; Jacob Blaustein of Baltimore, APC honorary president; and Dr. John Slawson of New York, executive vice-president, reported to Byroade that 220,000 Moroccan Jews are still without any rights whatsoever as citizens.



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Ultra-Orthodox Rabbis  
Debate Marriage Ban

BROOKLYN, N. Y. (JP)—The ultra-Orthodox Union of Orthodox Rabbis biennial convention this week was locked in debate as to whether it would invoke the marriage ban of the "rabbinical committee of four countries" passed in 1750, against the Conservative Beth Din which arrived at the changes in the ancient marriage and divorce law.

Indications are that the reaffirmation of the ban, originally made against the rabbi performing the marriage, the couple, their parents and those participating in a non-Orthodox wedding ceremony, will be made as a prohibition "issur" and not as a ban "cherem" which is a milder expression of the same thing.

WORLD NEWS  
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## U.S. Says Can't Bar Hate Mail

MONTREAL (JP)—The United States Post Office has told Montreal councillor Alfred Gagliardi that it can't bar anti-Jewish pamphlets from the mails, and FBI Director J. Edgar Hoover advised him that information concerning organizations which send such mail is confidential. Councillor Gagliardi asked Hoover for information after receiving pamphlets from the Christian Nationalist Crusade and the "Keep America Committee", both in Los Angeles. Hoover turned Gagliardi's letter over to the Post Office Department's chief inspector. Postal Solicitor A. McGregor Goff advised that no U. S. law bars from the mails literature attacking any particular race, religion, or religious group.

## South African Jewry Imperiled: St. John

CHICAGO (JP)—The position of South Africa's Jewry is precarious because "hatred toward the Jew persists" according to noted war correspondent and author Robert St. John.

Writing in the 50th Jubilee December Issue of The Chicago Jewish Forum, a national quarterly, St. John gives a picture of the status of the Jew in a land of 12 million South Africans of which they constitute but one per cent in number.

According to St. John, the South Africa Jewish community is one of the most solid Zionist communities in the world. Few Jews actually plan to go to Israel themselves; however, they are very active in aiding Israel.

He notes the rise of anti-Semitism in the last 25 years, with its zenith reached at the height of Adolf Hitler's victories in Europe. Since then, according to St. John, the tide of anti-Semitism has ebbed. However, there has been some revival of anti-Semitic feeling since the coming to power in 1948 of the Nationalist party.

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